The Horse Billy Murphy rides is a public Horse & you will please September 11 to keep him & have him well fed & sent off with the rest when they go. I will write the Gov' by Colo Tilghman that he has the Horses. If Mr Chaires is from home Mrs Chaires is requested to send themplease to send Colo Tilghman Two Good Horses, perhaps one of Mr Lawson's Horses may be better than Mr Brownes.

[Petition of James O'Hara, Annapolis, To the Honble the Governor September 11 and Council

The Humble Petition of James O'Hara formerly belonging to Col. Smallwood's Battalion having unfortunately lost his Eyesight in the year 1777 and having no resource but the Humanity of his Country, and presuming on your Honors Goodness and Attention to the wants of your poor Soldiery, I am Induced by my pressing wants in the Article of Cloathing to implore your Honours to grant such order as may provide me with such Necessaries as may Cloth me against the Approaching Winter. Having Rec'd no Cloathing of any Acct since the year aforesaid and am therefore at this present without a Coat, and even without money to purchase Wood.

refering my unhappy situation to your Honours and in the expectation you will grant an Old Soldier the Necessary relief, I shall as in duty bound sincerely Pray

[G° Washington, Mount Vernon to His Excellency Governor Lee] September 11

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I intended, on passing thro' Maryland, to have done myself the Pleasure to have called on your Excellency, but Circumstances pressing upon me, as I advanced on my March, & Time slipping too fast from me, I found a Necessity of getting on with that Rapidity as has obliged me to proceed without calling at Annapolis.

I am exceedingly pleased to find, as I passed thro' your State that a Spirit for Exertion prevails universally in such Manner as gives me the happiest Prospects of receiving very effectual support from you.

Great Attention is necessary to be given to the Article of Supplies-I mention this Circumstance, as I am just informed from below, that the Army is in Distress at this Moment for Want of Provisionsparticularly Flour, let me intreat your Excellency to give every the most expeditious Relief on this Head that is within your Power

[Dan'l Jenifer, Portobacco, to Gov. Lee.]

As I have a great inclination to go to the Southward, to have the Red Book No. 29 pleasure of seeing a finishing Stroke put to the War; I will thank Letter 25 your Excy to supercede me in the office of Reg. of Wills for Chas County. It is an office that cannot be executed by Deputy, otherwise I should deputi in my Absence, It is also a post of very great trust, & that it may be well filled, is the wish of Your Excellency's most obt sert

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